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SUBJECT: 1) ALMADEN MERCURY PROJECT: TECHNICAL MEETING
2) SOLAR ENERGY INVENTION OF LUQUE

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TOPIC 1: NSF HAS LEARNED FROM THOMAS CLARKSON THAT HIS
AVAILABILITY FOR SUBJECT MEETING (IF IT IS TO BE IN MADRID)
IS NOW REDUCED TO OCTOBER 17-18. THESE DATES WOULD BE A
STOP OVER IN MADRID ON WAY TO BAGHDAD. HUCKABEE OF OAK
RIDGE ALSO HAS STRONG PREFERENCE FOR MID-OCTOBER DATES.

2. NSF AND U.S. PROJECT PARTICIPANTS WISH TO REPEAT
INVITATION TO SANCHEZ MURIAS TO HOLD MEETING IN U.S.,
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PROBABLY AT ROCHESTER. IN THIS CASE, CLARKSON WOULD BE
AVAILABLE FOR UP TO ONE DAY MEETING WITH SANCHEZ MURIAS ON
ANY OF THE FOLLOWING DATES: SEPTEMBER 6, 7, 8, 15, 16.
OCTOBER 3 THROUGH 7, 13, 14. NOVEMBER 1 THROUGH 11.

3. OTHER PROJECT DISCUSSIONS COULD PROCEED WITHOUT CLARK-

SON. WITH PASSING OF TIME CLARKSON WILL SCHEDULE OTHER THINGS FOR THE ABOVE DATES. IT IS URGENT THAT SANCHEZ MURIAS ACCEPT SOME DATE SOON. NSF MUST COMMIT TRAVEL FUNDS BY SEPTEMBER 15, OR MONEY WILL BE LOST.

PARTICIPATION IN MEETING BY DR. MAGOS OF ENGLAND IS STRONGLY ENDORSED BY ROCHESTER. WHICHEVER LOCATION IS CHOSEN FOR MEETING, NSF NEEDS SPANISH AUTHORIZATION TO SUPPORT HIS TRAVEL COSTS.

TOPIC 2: NSF HAS CHECKED WITH U.S. CO-P.I.'S OF DR. LUQUE REGARDING HIS SOLAR CELL INVENTION. PROJECT WITH DR. FANG OF BOSTON UNIVERSITY SEEMS MORE PERTINENT, BUT FANG FEELS THAT THIS INVENTION OF LUQUE'S WAS CLEARLY THE SPANIARD'S OWN WORK. HE SEES NO GROUNDS FOR ANY U.S. CLAIM. KOENIG IS AWAY UNTIL MID-SEPTEMBER, BUT SUBSTANCE OF HIS PROPOSAL AND BUDGET BREAKDOWN GIVES LITTLE EVIDENCE TO SUPPORT POTENTIAL U.S. CLAIM. NSF SUGGESTS THE MATTER BE DROPPED. CHRISTOPHER

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